

PHARMACY BOARD[657]

Adopted and Filed

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 147.76, the Board of Pharmacy hereby amends Chapter 6, “General Pharmacy Practice,” Iowa Administrative Code.

The amendment authorizes a pharmacist or pharmacist-intern, upon the request of a patient, to transfer one or more prescriptions to the pharmacy of the patient’s choice. A transfer must be initiated by direct communication between a pharmacist or pharmacist-intern at the transferring pharmacy and a pharmacist or pharmacist-intern at the receiving pharmacy. Following direct communication between authorized individuals, the transfer of prescription information may be accomplished by facsimile transmission in compliance with the record requirements of rule 657—6.9(124,155A).

Requests for waiver or variance of the discretionary provisions of these rules will be considered pursuant to 657—Chapter 34.

Notice of Intended Action was published in the June 13, 2012, Iowa Administrative Bulletin as **ARC 0155C**. The Board received no written comments regarding the proposed amendment. The adopted amendment is identical to that published under Notice.

The amendment was approved during the August 29, 2012, meeting of the Board of Pharmacy.

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code section 155A.34.

This amendment will become effective on November 7, 2012.

The following amendment is adopted.

Amend subrule 6.9(3) as follows:

6.9(3) Communication. The transfer is communicated directly between pharmacists, directly between pharmacist-interns under the direct supervision of pharmacists at the respective pharmacies, directly between a pharmacist and a pharmacist-intern under the direct supervision of a pharmacist, or as authorized in subrule 6.9(9). Following direct communication between authorized individuals as provided herein, the transferring pharmacist or pharmacist-intern may transmit the prescription and transfer information required under subrule 6.9(5) from the transferring pharmacy via facsimile. The receiving pharmacist or pharmacist-intern shall ensure the prescription transfer record maintained in the receiving pharmacy contains all of the information required under subrule 6.9(8).

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